







OnTheMap

Base Map Help






Local Employment Dynamics

The Base Map tab allows users to control the look of the map viewer by showing or hiding areas, lines, and points, as well as the labels that go with them. Geography layers are grouped in the following categories by common usage: "Regional Layers," "Local Layers," "Transportation Layers," "Workforce Layers," "Education Layers," and "Other Layers."

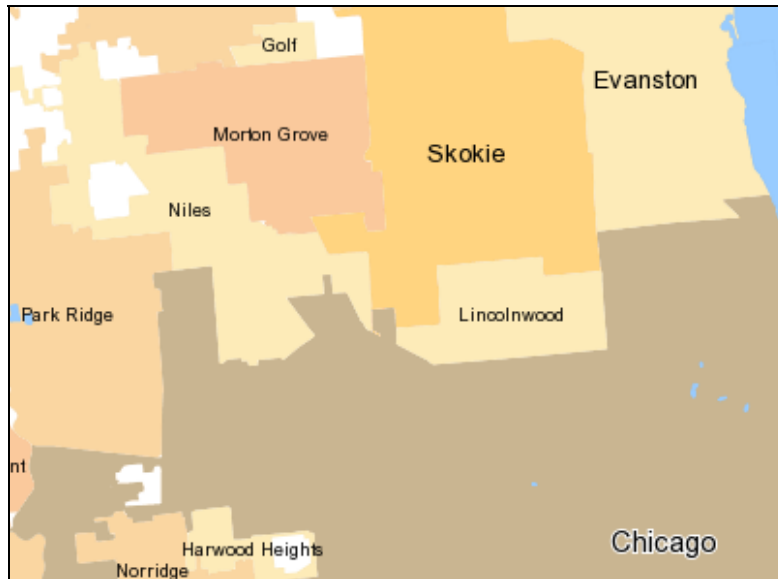
To show or display a layer in the base map, simply enable the checkbox in the "Point," "Outline," and/or "Fill" columns, depending on what is available for the layer you want to show. To display labels in the map viewer, enable the checkbox in the "Label" column. Below, the outlines and labels for Counties and Places (Cities, CDPs, etc.) would be displayed in the map viewer.

Local Layers					
	Label	Point	Outline	Fill	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Counties
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	County Subdivisions
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Places (Cities, CDPs, etc.)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Census Tracts
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Census Block Groups
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ZIP Codes (ZCTA)

Some layers do not appear at every zoom level. When a layer is unavailable at a certain zoom level, the name of the layer will appear in gray. In the screenshot below, 111th Congressional Districts are grayed out and would not appear until the map is zoomed in past a predetermined scale. States are active and showing in the base map, while State Legislative Districts (Upper and Lower), and Metropolitan/Micropolitan Areas (CBSA) can be turned on at the current zoom level by activating their checkboxes.

Regional Layers					
	Label	Point	Outline	Fill	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	States
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	111th Congressional Districts
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	State Legislative Districts (Upper)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	State Legislative Districts (Lower)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Metropolitan/Micropolitan Areas (CBSA)

Some layers, like Places, Airports, and Greenspaces have special display features built into them. The Places “Fill” layer displays cities and towns in one of six colors. The choice of color for a given town is arbitrary. Unincorporated areas remain white. Also, the Place “Labels” change with the zoom scale. At regional and national zoom levels, places display as points and only large cities (by population) are shown. At local zoom levels, higher population places are denoted with larger font labels.



The Greenspaces layer includes parks, cemeteries, and golf courses (when made available to the Census Bureau - see [Geography Sources](#) for more information), and are displayed with two different colors. Airports are generally shown as points. However, at closer zoom levels, they are available as polygons (see [Geography Sources](#) for more information).



Remove all layers and start over by clicking “Clear All Layers” at the top of the Base Map tab, beneath the “Help?” section.

